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DAILY THOUGHT.

A week filled up with selfishness, and the Sabbath stuffed full of religious exercises, will make a good Pharisee, but a poor Christian. There are many people who think Sunday a sponge with which to wipe out the sins of the week.—Beecher.

OUR FISCAL COURT.

Fiscal court has held its regular spring term, and the most commendable thing it did was to adjourn. Fiscal court is composed of gentlemen some of whom are intelligent, progressive men, but unfortunately of some men whose hirsute endowment is still profusely besprinkled with hay seed. It may be that there are none of this kind in McCracken's board. But however that may be, fiscal court does some very remarkable things.

One of these was to make no provision for needed repairs to the gravel roads, which are said to be in a bad condition. It is presumed that what road work will be done will be done on the dirt roads, any improvement to which, as improvements are made in this county, is a waste of money.

Another thing was to increase the salary of county attorney, and to try to increase that of the county judge. In the latter case the effort was unsuccessful, thanks to the magnanimous action of County Judge Lightfoot, who generously voted against it. In that case we have the unprecedented spectacle of a public officer voting to increase or decrease his own salary. It is not generally known that the salaries of county judge and county attorney are fixed after these functionaries go into office, and not before they are elected. Just why this is is not plain, as the state constitution says explicitly, section 161, that the salary of no state, county, municipal or town officer shall be changed during his term of office. The statutes provide, in the case of county attorney that his salary shall be fixed by fiscal court annually. But it does not say that it shall be fixed after he has been elected, qualified and entered into his term of office. It is said in explanation that a decision of the court of appeals gives fiscal court this right. We have not seen the decision, and there may be one of that description, but a decision of the court of appeals cannot overturn a provision of the constitution. It is also apologetically said that the county attorney is not a salaried officer. To some extent he is not, but nevertheless the compensation provided for in the statute is designated a salary, and if it is only a fee, then the \$1,000 fiscal court voted to pay the county attorney is a pretty steep fee, especially as he gets a big per cent of all fines in favor of the commonwealth. We were under the impression that the increase from \$700 to \$1,000 voted by fiscal court would not and could not become effective until the term of the incumbent expired, but this was an error. It goes into effect at once. It is both unjust and perhaps unconstitutional that the salary of any officer should be fixed after his election. Suppose that the man elected to the position was disposed to and could buy up fiscal court? The members of this body, according to their claim and their recent action, could fix his salary at anything they care to call reasonable. He might go around after being elected and having entered into his duties, and pay the members to fix

or anything he wanted, if the members did not happen to be honest. Or if the county attorney happened to have a different kind of politics from that of men elected to fiscal court the latter could place the salary, after the man is elected by vote of the people and begun work, at practically nothing, and force him to resign. The law does not contemplate any such a possibility, and does not intend to place any such power in the hands of any set of men. But if there is any law justifying it, it is not a good law, and is probably unconstitutional, and does not afford the people who are taxed to pay such salaries any protection. A man under such a law may be paid anything the friendship of fiscal court prompts them to pay him, not what the services he renders justify. It is a complete violation of the spirit of the law. In this county we are confronted by the fact that fiscal court has fixed the salary of county attorney at \$300 more than he got last year. This is fixed after his term of office began, and during his term of office, in violation of the constitution. The salary of the county judge, who has been in office for several months, could have been increased in the same manner as that of the county attorney, had not the judge voted it down. Whoever heard of the law's contemplating that a public officer could by dint of any law or decision of the court of appeals, vote on what his own salary is to be? If it is the law, however, it should be changed. The Sun is not complaining about the amount nor claiming that the excellent county officers we have are not worth more money, but of the principle of law, real, or imaginary, on which such action is based.

Another foolish thing fiscal court did was to refuse a proposition from a reputable physician, recognized by the medical profession, to do the same work for the taxpayers of this county for \$400 that the county is paying \$600 for now. This is sheer extravagance. There is absolutely nothing to justify it. Fiscal court did not consult the welfare of the people a particle. It elected a man at \$600 because he had a bigger "pull" than the man who offered to do the work for \$400.

In fact, to read proceedings of fiscal court, and note increases they made in salaries, etc., and then remember that it has just authorized the county judge to borrow nearly \$40,000 to pay off debts contracted during the previous administration, one is induced to believe that we should dispense with fiscal court entirely, or else hereafter be more discriminating in the selection of its members.

The sentiment in favor of our sewerage system is growing. A year or two ago a great many people did not seem to know what it was built for, and it would doubtless look strange to the outside world to see where it was necessary to Prlucah to create a sentiment in favor of such an acknowledged necessity as a sanitary sewerage system, but that is just what some of the papers have had to undertake here. Many of the best people are actually indifferent to sanitation, and have been outspoken in their opposition to sanitary sewerage, while many of them in the sewer district still run their slop waters into the gutter, instead of connecting with the sewerage. With the agitation for better sanitation in Paducah, and the results thereof, there is a marked change in the death rate, and it is

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President Roosevelt, it is announced, is satisfied that the popular sentiment throughout the country is in favor of the retirement of General Miles, if he will not take time by the forelock and resign. President Roosevelt is right. Most of the eastern papers criticize Miles very sharply, and seem to think his conduct has been anything but what it should be, and has seemingly been designed principally for the purpose of harassing the administration. The southern papers are, of course, the self-constituted champions of Miles. They will denounce anything the President and administration favors, no matter what it is, and the fact that it is reported that the administration is getting tired of Miles is sufficient justification for the southern papers taking up the cudgels in his defense. Miles is a good man, but he is not indispensable in this free and independent form of government.

The way Jo A. Parker manages to hold on is a remarkable thing. A few years ago Jo was editor of the Kentucky Populist, a small paper published on legal row here, and occupied a small, dirty office in one of the buildings there. He looked like an overgrown country boy, just as he looks now, but since that time he has risen from a country politician to the leader of a party, and is a national character. The name of Jo A. Parker is as familiar as that of Populism itself, and when he goes to the big cities he is interviewed and harassed by reporters just the same as if he were a great man.

The wholesale dismissal of guards at the penitentiaries is likely to cause trouble in the Democratic camp. They are being slayed by the dozen to make way for the "pets" of the legislators who were generous enough to vote for the extravagant appropriations for the two prisons. The ousted guards are hot in the collar, knowing that they were turned out simply to make way for some one else, and that there was no other reason for their dismissal, and threaten to make it interesting for the gang. These guards profess to know a "few things," and they are now ripe to tell all. Let it come.

The defeat of Jones is the death knell of Bryan. The Boy Orator of the Platte is building him a barn in good time. It's the only Presidential mansion he will ever occupy.

MANY GATHERINGS.

PASSENGER ASSOCIATIONS BUSY MAKING RATES FOR MEETS.

Few people probably have any idea of the large number of occasions for which the railroad companies make reduced rates. The Western Passenger Association Bulletin, just issued, schedules 101 events which are to take place during the next two or three months for which reduced rates have already been named, and this is only the beginning of the season. This list includes meetings of a general character, but does not include a large number of meetings which are local and which do not get into the association records. The other associations have equally large lists.

Excursion rates at a fare and one-third for the round trip have been granted by the Central Passenger Association for the following occasions: Woman's Catholic order of Foresters, Chicago, April 14 to 20; National Association of Manufacturers, Indianapolis, Ind., April 15 to 17; Eastern Art Teachers' association, New York, April 25 and 26; Interstate Cotton Seed Crushers, Dallas, Texas, April 28 to 30; Catholic Knights and Ladies of America, Detroit, Mich., May 27 to 30; Reformed Presbyterian church, Syracuse, N. Y., May 28 to June 4.

GETTING READY FOR SUMMER.

The gardeners of the Illinois Central have already begun to rearrange the flower beds of the local system and pretty soon they will all be in bloom again. The master mechanics' office bed is today being overhauled, new grass seed sown and the monogram again arranged. The remaining beds will be repaired in time.

BURIAL TOMORROW.

Mrs. Lulu Whitell, aged 27, died yesterday at her home, 918 North Eighth street, after a long illness. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon; burial at Oak Grove.

Preaching at the Second Baptist church Sunday morning and night, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Everybody invited.

Have You Got Dry Goods To Buy?

Is it a tailor-made Suit?
Is it a silk Skirt?
Is it a new Skirt?
Is it a walking Skirt?
Is it a silk Eton Jacket?
Is it dress goods for a Spring Costume?
Is it a silk Waist?
Is it a pair of Kid Gloves?
Is it Muslin Underwear?
Is it Embroideries?
Is it table Damask, Napkins, Towel or Crashes?
Is it Hosiery?
Is it a Belt, Combs or Handkerchiefs?
Is it a Ladies' Hat?
Is it lace Curtains, Carpets, Mattings or Window Shades?
Is it a boy's suit of Clothes?
Is it a man's Suit?
Is it mens Shirts, Socks, Suspenders, or Hats?
Is it Men's, Women's or Children's Shoes?
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Beautiful Millinery

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